GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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RESERVATION FACILITIES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Railway Reservation, UTS City Booking Office, authorized Travel Agents and Halt Contractors in the Railways, State-wise;

(b) whether there is any proposal to increase Rail Reservation facilities, UTS, City Booking Offices and authorized Railway Reservation Agents in each district and Sub-divisional Head Quarters of the State during the 11th plan;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether any arrangements made by the Railways in an irregular electric supply area for smooth working of the Railway Reservation Offices in the country; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) Passenger Reservation System (PRS) is functional at 1391 locations. Details at Annexure 'A'.

(Information about PRS is not compiled State-wise but Railway-wise).

UTS is functional at 925 locations. Details at Annexure 'B'.

(Information about UTS is not compiled State-wise but Railway-wise)

There are 767 Rail Travellers Service Agents and 31 Rail Tourist Agents. Details at Annexure 'C'.

There are approximately 1917 Halt Stations on Indian Railways most of which are manned by Halt Contractors. 57 City Booking Agencies/Out Agencies working on Indian Railways.

(b) & (c): As per policy at least one Computerised reservation centre in each district of the country is to be provided. PRS is at present available in 535 districts in the country & sanctioned in the remaining districts. There is no such policy regarding UTS, however to provide UTS facilities to public at large all stations upto 'E' category stations have been sanctioned for provision of UTS. Rail Travellers Service Agents, Rail Tourist Agents, City Booking Agencies/Out Agencies are provided as per demand.

(d) & (e): Yes, Sir. To provide uninterrupted services in Railways Reservation offices alternate arrangements for supply of electricity from Uninterrupted Power Supply (UPS), Diesel Generator Sets and extension of feed from Over Head Supply line (not exceeding 1 KVA) on electrified route in case of local electricity supply failures have been made.